

Youth Athletics Advisory Board
June 20, 2012

Board Members Present:

Glen Waldman, Jackie Kellogg, Florencia Manero, Derek Weaver, Victor Balestra and Cesar Elizondo

The meeting was called to order by Glen Waldman at 7:04 PM.

There were no public comments.

The Board discussed the basketball season program management proposals. Jackie Kellogg provided the new members with a review of the process and what has taken place in the past. The board discussed the two proposals and the merits of each possible organizations. The importance of the quality of the coaches was discussed. Glen Waldman make a motion to continue this year with CBF and review the performance after the season was completed. The importance of having Tony Goudie's assistance with the draft was discussed and agreed that this would take place again this year. Cesar Elizondo discussed the importance of providing more time for the draft and amending the schedule so there were more practices for the upcoming season. The Board discussed the post season and pre-draft assessment of players. Victor Balestra inquired as we could improve the player assessment process. The Board discussed a process to insure the best possible player evaluation. The Board voted unanimously to select CBF as the program manager for the 2012-2013 basketball season.

The Board discussed the volleyball registration. The Board discussed how registration has taken place in the past with enrollment taking place early in the morning one day. Florencia Manero discussed how field hockey will provide priority registration for returning players. The importance of including returning players was discussed. The Board discussed the importance of giving priority to Key Biscayne residents especially for intramural sports. Staff mentioned how returning players have been given priority recently, but that included returning off-island residents. The discussion continued with returning Key Biscayne residents getting first priority, then Key Biscayne residents, and finally off-island participants if space was still available.

The Board discussed a lottery for Key Biscayne resident registration if registration exceeds the amount of slots available. The Board discussed proof of residency. The Board did not want to make the proof too much of burden. Using a driver's license as proof of residency was discussed. The Board discussed using this as proof and if someone was found not to be a resident they would lose their slot on the team. The Board discussed the importance of notifying all returning players and providing them enough opportunity to register. The final recommendation is as follows:

1. Key Biscayne returning player registration
2. Open Key Biscayne resident registration and non-resident registration.
3. If more Key Biscayne residents enroll then the allotment, a lottery will be used.
4. Off-Island registrants will be placed on a waiting list and only placed on a team if space is still available after all residents are placed on teams.

This format will be used for volleyball and field hockey and discussed how this worked at the August meeting before being implemented for soccer and baseball. Soccer will have to look to see how this can be managed through their online registration process. Derek Weaver discussed if the off island people will be placed on teams, if space is available, by lottery or by wait-list rank. The Board agreed that they should be placed by wait-list rank (meaning the first to register will be the first to be provided available slots)

The Board made a motion to implement this procedure for volleyball and field hockey. The motion passed unanimously.

Staff discussed that the soccer contract extension has been granted.

The Board discussed that the disciplinary committee has been meeting to address incidents.

Staff discussed the playing field allocation meeting. Staff mentioned that all program representatives were present and willing to make accommodations for the other sports. Tackle football agreed to modify their schedule to allow for the beginning of intramural soccer. Soccer agreed to limit the post season program to ten (10) travel teams. It was discussed that if the fields are not in adequate condition the adult soccer program will have to be moved indoors to the community center to prevent further damage to the playing surface.

The Board discussed flag football if the number of tackle football teams drops significantly.

The Board discussed that field hockey registration will go through the community center front desk this year. Rugby could go through the community center if they choose to do so.

The Board discussed the scheduled removal of the Crandon Park playing fields in May of 2013. The Board discussed the potential playing fields at MAST Academy. The Board discussed the process that remains for approval of the school and the fields.

The Board discussed the August meeting date. Staff stated that maybe one more meeting may need to be scheduled. The Board discussed the lighting of other areas such the Village Green North field and the KBCS. Staff mentioned that the lighting of

the Village Green North has been placed on the Village's CIP. The Board discussed improving behavior and ethics among all those involved. A youth centric model was mentioned. The Board discussed NAYS, code of conduct, and other procedures that were implemented in the past year to improve this aspect of the programs. The Board requested that staff look to see what other programs are doing in this regard. The Board agreed to add this as an item for the August agenda. The Board discussed sportsmanship awards and other way that positive behavior in the programs can be rewarded.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:56PM.